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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, MASS, MPOL, SA
SUBJECT: SAG DESIRE FOR U.S. CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO SUPERVISE
EQUESTRIAN CLUB CONSTRUCTION

1. AT THE INITIATIVE OF PRINCE ABDULLAH BIN ABDUL AZIZ,
THIRD RANKING MEMBER FO SAG, THE U.S. CORPS OF ENGINNERRS AT
RIYADH WAS INFORMED THAT H.M. KING KHALID HAS APPROVED A
PRELIMINARY CONCEPT FOR AN EQUESTRIAN CLUB TO BE CONSTRUCTED
AT RIYADH, AND HAS INDICATED A DESIRE THAT COE SUPERVISE THE
PROJECT. THE FACILITIES ENVISAGED INCLUDE A POLO FIELD/HORSE
RACE TRACK, STABLES, 5,000 SEAT GRANDSTAND, CLUB FACILITIES,
GUEST VILLA, MEDICAL CLINIC AND OTHER ATHLETIC FACILITIES.
THE COE HAS MADE A ROUGH COST ESTIMATE OF THE PROJECT IN
THE RANGE OF \$350 TO \$400 MILLION. DESIGN COST \$9 MILLION.
NONE OF THESE FIGURES THUS FAR HAVE BEEN REVEALED TO ANYONE
IN SAG.

2. COE AND WE WOULD APPRECIATE STATE OR DEFENSE GUIDANCE
WHETHER SUCH A PROJECT IS AUTHORIZED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK
OF THE ENGINEER ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT, OR THE SECURITY ASSISTANCE
AND ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT OF 1976.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S ADVICE ON THE
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LEGALITIES OF THE MATTER, PARTICULARLY CONSIDERING
KING KHALID'S INTEREST EVEN THOUGH INSTIGATED BY
PRINCE ABDULLAH.
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